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(c) whether it is a fact that in Mysore the subordinate staff of the Veterinary Department are doing this work ; and

(d) if so, why our Veterinary Assistants are not trained up for similar work?

A.—(a) Yes.

(b) Veterinary Assistant Surgeons with previous experience in inoculation will also be allowed to do the work under the supervision of circle officers in localities where rinderpest has assumed an epidemic form.

(c) & (d) The Government have no information.

Mr. A. B. Shetty :—" May I ask the hon. Minister whether he is aware that in Mysore the subordinate staff of the department are doing the serum simultaneous method of inoculations and, if that be a fact, he will consider the desirability of training our veterinary assistants in this method of inoculation ? "

The hon. the President :—" I am yet to be convinced how that question arises on the answer given."

Mr. A. B. Shetty :—" With reference to (c) Sir, perhaps, I may put the question this way, whether the Government would be pleased to call for the information ? "

The hon. Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—" The Veterinary Adviser of the Government is in touch with the state of things there and has ascertained what the system prevailing there is."

Mr. B. Ramachandra Reddi :—" With reference to (b), may I know whether it is meant that it should be done in the immediate presence of the circle officer ? "

The hon. Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—" No, Sir."

Buildings

Substitution of Britoll steel doors and windows for teakwood doors and windows.

* 862 Q.—Mr. P. Bhaktavatsulu Nayudu : Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(a) whether there is any attempt in any of the circles of the Public Works Department to patronise British manufacture of steel doors and windows of the pattern of one Britoll to replace teak doors, windows and frames manufactured locally ;

(b) if so, in what circle and by which officer this has been recommended ;

(c) whether that officer has obtained full details and particulars regarding this pattern, about its decided advantages over the local manufactory in point of finance, durability, adaptability and otherwise ; and

(d) if so, whether those statistics and detailed particulars will be placed on the Council table before this pattern is finally approved for patronising ?

A.—The hon. Member presumably refers to Crittall doors and windows. The superior quality has been used frequently for hospital windows, etc., but not the cheaper variety for ordinary buildings. The Chief Engineer has however brought to the notice of the

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Superintending Engineers the advisability of using them. The Chief Engineer has inspected Railway works on which they have been used with conspicuous success and has ascertained that they have been adopted widely by firms in Southern India.

Alleged discharge of sullage and sewage from the General Hospital and the Penitentiary into the Buckingham canal and the Cooum river.

*863 *Q.*—Mr. C. S. GOVINDARAJA MUDALIYAR : Will the hon. the Minister for Development, the hon. the Minister for Public Health and the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the sullage and the sewage from the General Hospital and the Penitentiary compounds are discharged into the Buckingham canal and the river Cooum ;

(*b*) if so, who is responsible for such action ;

(*c*) what action the Government propose to take on the recommendations of the Madras City High Mortality Committee on the above subjects ; and

(*d*) the present stage of the proposals made for the improvements to the Cooum to make it a tidal river and to make it navigable ?

A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The responsibility must be shared by the Government and the Corporation.

(*c*) Schemes for the drainage of the General Hospital and the Penitentiary are being prepared by the Sanitary Engineer.

(*d*) The latest proposal, which has been accepted by the Government and is being laid before the Finance Committee, is to pump water from the sea into the Cooum near the Medical College to enable the bar to be burst when necessary.

Mr. SAMI VENKATACHALAM CHETTI :—" May I know, Sir, with reference to the answer to clause (*d*), when the so-called latest proposal will be given effect to ? "

The hon. Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR :—" I shall await the findings of the Finance Committee. "

Mr. SAMI VENKATACHALAM CHETTI :—" Findings of the Committee on what ? "

The hon. Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR :—" The latest proposal is being laid before the Finance Committee and I shall wait to see what the Finance Committee has to say."

Mr. SAMI VENKATACHALAM CHETTI :—" Is the Finance Committee being consulted in regard to the technical aspect of the matter ? "

The hon. Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR :—" No, Sir. Whatever they have got to say, I should like to know it

Mr. SAMI VENKATACHALAM CHETTI :—" Is it only in regard to the provision of adequate money for the purpose ? "

The hon. Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR :—" The hon. Member asked for the time within which the proposal will be given effect to. I said I am waiting for the recommendations of the Finance Committee.